



Call for volunteers

Southern Brown Bandicoot research - Spring 2009

"Fantastic...I just feel guilty that I gained more from the project than I have been able to give!"



Heather, Flinders University student

"A great experience where you learn a lot about the (Australian) bush"



Catherine, Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology student, Virginia, US.

(5 star rating by volunteers of their fieldwork experience)

Project Background

This University of Adelaide PhD research is investigating whether one of Australia's worst environmental weeds, blackberry, provides important habitat and is helping populations of the endangered Southern Brown Bandicoot to survive in the Mount Lofty Ranges. The research will contribute to international understanding of responses by small mammal populations to landscapes degraded by exotic weed species. Are bandicoots adapting...or just hanging on as their last refuges are being cleared around them?

Survey details

Join us for the next round of bandicoot surveys in the Adelaide Hills. Spring is the season of bandicoot joeys and wildflowers in the Hills! Surveys include: setting up sites; 5 nights of cage, Elliot & pitfall traps; animal handling (you'll have the privilege of seeing bandicoot joeys); veg surveys, packing/cleaning traps.

8 – 18 September	Mt Bold & surrounds
22 Sept – 2 October	Mark Oliphant CP & surrounds
6 – 15 October	Cleland CP & surrounds

Experience is not essential, tho' a positive attitude and a good level of fitness is! A minimum of 6 days is required, with priority given to people available for a full 10 day survey.

Expressions of interest

To register your interest, please email your CV including details of your fieldwork & animal handling experience to:

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